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SUBJECT:SAIGON RIVER SECURITY, REQUEST FROM ESSO TANKERS

1. ESSO EASTERN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, CONTACTED DEPARTMENT FOR LATEST INFORMATION ON RIVER SECURITY IN PREPARATION FOR DEPARTURE THIS WEEKEND FROM SINGAPORE OF ESSO TANKER WITH CARGO FOR NHA-BE. WHILE NOT CERTAIN, VESSEL WILL PROBABLY BE 11,000 GROSS TON ESSO ADVENTURER, A PANAMANIAN-FLAG VESSEL. ESSO EASTERN BELIEVES THEY HAVE COMMERCIAL AND MORAL COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE THESE BADLY NEEDED POL SUPPLIES, AND FULLY INTENDS TO DO SO, BUT WISHES TO HAVE LATEST SECURITY INFORMATION BEFORE SETTING SAIL.

2. FOR SAIGON. EMBASSY SAIGON REQUESTED PROVIDE EMBASSY SINGAPORE BY NIACT IMMEDIATE LATEST RIVER SECURITY INFORMATION ON SAIGON RIVER TO NHA-BE.

3. FOR SINGAPORE. ESSO EASTERN WILL HAVE AN ESSO REPRESENTATIVE IN SINGAPORE CONTACT EMBASSY DUTY OFFICER OR

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SENTATIVE IN SINGAPORE CONTACT EMBASSY DUTY OFFICER OR

ECONOMIC OFFICER TO LEARN INFORMATION PROVIDED BY EMBASSY
SAIGON BEFORE DEPARTURE OF THEIR TANKER. ESSO CONTACT
WILL PROBABLY BEMR. N.P. BLACKWELL. INGERSOLL

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